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Mr. GIBBONS changed his vote from to "nay.

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, November 5, 1997. Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a facsimile copy of a letter received from Mr. Peter S. Kosinski, Deputy Executive Director, State Board of Elections, State of New York, indicating that, according to the unofficial returns for the general election held November 4, 1997, the Honorable Vito Fossella was elected Representative in Congress for the Thirteenth Congressional District, State of New York.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE.

STATE OF NEW YORK, STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, Albany, NY, November 5, 1997.

ROBIN H. CARLE,

Clerk, House of Representatives, The Capitol, Washington, DC.
DEAR MS. CARLE: Based on the unofficial

returns, Vito Fossella was elected to the Office of Representative in Congress from the 13th Congressional District of New York at the General Election held on November 4,

Sincerely,

PETER S. KOSINSKI, Deputy Executive Director. SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE VITO FOSSELLA, OF NEW YORK, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from New York [Mr. VITO FOSSELLA] be permitted to take the oath of office today. His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest, and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.
The SPEAKER. The Chair requests that the Member-elect from New York present himself in the well of the House escorted by the New York delegation.

Mr. Fossella appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic: that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter. So help you God?

The SPEAKER. Congratulations, you are a Member of the House.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE VITO FOSSELLA TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

(Mr. GILMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is indeed an honor to be able to introduce the newest Member of our New York delegation, VITO FOSSELLA, who is joined today by his good lady, Mary Pat, who is here with him watching this beautiful occasion.

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Mr. Speaker, it is a great honor for the Staten Island population to have such an accomplished legislator join us. VITO was formerly on the New York City Council for many years. He is now going to fill the shoes of the 13th Congressional District, who was so ably represented by Mrs. Paxon, Susan, whom we all know and did such an outstanding job in the days gone by

VITO, we wish you the best of luck. God bless in all of your new endeavors.

WELCOMING HONORABLE THE VITO FOSSELLA TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

(Mr. RANGEL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, this was hardly the way I expected this to turn out. Having said that, the Members of